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Texas Franchise Tax Research and Development Activities Credits Schedule

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FILING REQUIREMENTS

Taxpayer number | ■ Report year 2015 | Taxpayer name

Qualified research expenses in Texas (QRET)

1a. **Total QRET for the period covered by this report** 1a. ■

1b. **QRET under higher education contracts for the period covered by this report** 1b. ■

2a. **Total QRET in 1st preceding tax period** 2a. ■

2b. **QRET under higher education contracts for the 1st preceding tax period** 2b. ■

3a. **Total QRET in 2nd preceding tax period** 3a. ■

3b. **QRET under higher education contracts for the 2nd preceding tax period** 3b. ■

4a. **Total QRET in 3rd preceding tax period** 4a. ■

4b. **QRET under higher education contracts for the 3rd preceding tax period** 4b. ■

Credit Calculation for Entities with 3 preceding periods of QRET *(If entity has no QRET in one or more of the 3 preceding periods, skip to Item 10.)*

5. **Average QRET for preceding periods** *(Average of amounts in Items 2a, 3a, and 4a)* 5. ■

6. **Average QRET x 50%** *(Multiply Item 5 by 0.50)* 6. ■

7. **Difference** *(Item 1a minus Item 6. If less than zero, enter zero)* 7. ■

8. **Credit** *(If amount in Item 1b is zero, multiply Item 7 by 5% (0.05); otherwise, leave Item 8 blank and calculate credit in Item 9)* 8. ■

9. **Credit** *(If amount in Item 1b is greater than zero, multiply Item 7 by 6.25% (0.0625))* 9. ■

Credit Calculation for Entities with no QRET in one or more of the 3 preceding periods *(If entity has 3 preceding periods of QRET, skip to Item 12.)*

10. **Credit** *(If amount in Item 1b is zero, multiply Item 1a by 2.5% (0.025); otherwise, leave Item 10 blank and calculate credit in Item 11)* 10. ■

11. **Credit** *(If amount in Item 1b is greater than zero, multiply Item 1a by 3.125% (0.03125))* 11. ■

Research and Development (R & D) Activities Credit

12. **R & D activities credit** *(Enter amount in either Item 8, 9, 10 or 11)* 12. ■

13. **R & D activities credit carried forward from prior years** 13. ■

14. **R & D activities credit available** *(Add Item 12 plus Item 13)* 14. ■

R & D Employment in Texas for the Period Covered by this Report

15. **Average number of research and development positions** 15. ■

16. **Average salary of research and development positions** 16. ■ 00

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